

Medical Response to Nuclear and Radiological Terrorism



Public Health Training Network Webcast
Course Overview Site: http://www.phppo.cdc.gov/PHTN/radiation-04/

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The events of September 11, 2001, proved that terrorists will go to great lengths to cause harm to and disrupt the lives of the American people. The chance that an overt or covert event will occur that involves radioactive materials is an unfortunate reality in the United States. The caves of Afghanistan held plans for the creation of radiological dispersal devices, and opportunities exist for terrorist groups to obtain other nuclear devices. The detonation of such weapons could result in mass casualties, radiation-related illnesses, and contaminated victims. This broadcast will provide clinicians with the most current information on the following topics: possible radiological scenarios, basic information on radiation and protection for clinicians, medical management of victims of a radiological incident, and decontamination and treatment of victims. A question and answer session will enable participants nationwide to pose questions to panelists via a toll free telephone, fax, or TTY lines.

Goals

- Provide clinicians with the following information related to radiation: the difference between penetrating and nonpenetrating radiation, radiation protection for clinicians, health effects of radiation exposure, and scenarios that may result in radiation exposure or contamination with radioactive materials.
- Provide clinicians with the following information on medical management of a radiological emergency: radiological injuries, decontamination, and initial stabilization and treatment.

Objectives

At the end of the series, participants will be able to:

- Explain basic principles of radiation.
- Explain the difference between penetrating and nonpenetrating radiation.
- Explain how radiation can affect health.
- Explain basic radiation protection principles.
- Recognize acute radiation syndrome (ARS).
- Treat acute radiation syndrome (ARS).
- Recognize radiation-related injuries.
- Treat radiation-related injuries
- Explain the difference between exposure to and contamination with radiation.
- Triage victims of radiological incidents.
- Decontaminate victims of a radiological incident.
- Design a treatment area to minimize the possibility of further facility contamination.
- Identify the Biodosimetry Assessment Tool software developed by the Armed Forces Radiobiology Research Institute.

Target Audience

Emergency physicians, hospitalists, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, nurses, and other clinical emergency room personnel.

Faculty

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Continuing Education Credit

Continuing education credit will be offered for various professions based on 1 hour of instruction.

Registration Information

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Course numbers are listed below: Live Satellite Broadcast - SB0150 Webcast - WC0050 Web-on-demand - WD0037 Live satellite broadcast (SBO150) and Webcast (WC0050) availability begins February 10, 2004, and closes March 12, 2004.

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You **must** use the **online system** to **receive continuing education credit**. Participants must register and complete an evaluation for the activity.

Individuals who have questions about registration should call **1-800-41-TRAIN** or email ce@cdc.gov. For additional questions regarding program content please email cdcresponse@ashastd.org. When emailing a question, please indicate *Medical Response to Nuclear and Radiological Terrorism* in the subject line.

Additional Resources

- Physician information on prenatal radiation exposure and acute radiation syndrome (ARS) as well as "Interim Guidelines for Hospital Response to Mass Casualties from a Radiological Incident" at http://www.bt.cdc.gov/radiation/.
- For information on treating radiation injuries, contact Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE)
 Radiation Emergency Assistance Center/Training Site (REAC/TS) web site http://www.orau.gov/reacts/.
- CDC Clinician Information Line 877-554-4625.
- For Emergency Preparedness Response information visit http://www.bt.cdc.gov/contactus.asp

Webcast Information

on-04/default.asp.

This program will have a <u>live webcast</u> and will also be available for viewing after the live broadcast date at http://www.phppo.cdc.gov/phtn/webcast/radiati

Satellite Technical Specifications

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National Center for Environmental Health, the Public Health Training Network, the Division of Professional Development and Evaluation, Public Health Practice Program Office, CDC



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Satellite: SBS-6

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Polarization: Horizontal Audio Frequency: 6.2 & 6.8

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